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Programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011

Revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Human Rights Council at its twelfth, thirteenth and fourteenth sessions

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

1. The Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions has considered the report of the Secretary-General on the revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Human Rights Council at its twelfth, thirteenth and fourteenth sessions, in 2009 and 2010 (A/65/333). During its consideration of the report, the Committee met with representatives of the Secretary-General, who provided additional information and clarification.

2. The report of the Secretary-General complies with the procedure approved in part V of General Assembly resolution 63/263, in which the Assembly endorsed the conclusions and recommendations of the Advisory Committee (see A/63/629, para. 10) as to the merit of annual presentations of revised estimates arising from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Human Rights Council.

3. The Advisory Committee notes that the Council, at its twelfth, thirteenth and fourteenth sessions in 2009 and 2010, adopted a number of resolutions and two decisions that give rise to a total requirement of $4,991,600, of which $4,708,500 relates to the biennium 2010-2011 and $283,100 relates to the biennium 2012-2013. The requirements related to the twelfth, thirteenth and fourteenth sessions are summarized in the annex to the report of the Secretary-General, and detailed information on requirements under each resolution and decision is provided in section II of that report.

4. The Secretary-General indicates in paragraph 2 of his report that, although the Council held two special sessions (twelfth and thirteenth special sessions in October 2009 and January 2010, respectively), additional resources did not arise under the regular budget with regard to the decisions taken by the Council.

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5. For the biennium 2010-2011, an amount of $1,284,400 (before recosting) is estimated for the implementation of the activities of a perennial nature called for in resolutions 12/4, 12/23, 12/25, 12/26, 13/4, 13/14, 13/25, 14/6, 14/10 and 14/11 of the Human Rights Council. These provisions have already been made in the programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011. Also, an amount of $3,424,100 (before recosting) is estimated for new mandates in connection with resolutions 12/1, 12/15, 12/17, 12/18, 12/21, 12/28, 13/9, 13/11, 13/15, 13/16, 13/24, 14/1, 14/5, 14/10, 14/16, and decisions 12/119 and 13/117. These requirements have not been provided in the programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011. The Advisory Committee notes that it is the intention of the Secretary-General to accommodate the amount of $2,940,300 from within the existing appropriation of the programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011. The balance of $483,800 relating to resolution 14/1, which is not of a perennial nature, would be sought as commitment authority, comprising $147,000 under section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management, and $336,800 under section 23, Human rights, of the programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011.

6. For the biennium 2012-2013, new resources in the amount of $283,100 (before recosting) are estimated for activities of a perennial nature in connection with resolution 14/8. The Committee notes that these resources will be considered in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013.

7. **The Advisory Committee recommends that the additional requirements in the amount of $3,424,100 for the current biennium be accommodated within the resources appropriated under the programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011 and reported in the context of the second performance report.**